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Dear Sir or Madam,

The current situation with the removal and destruction of postal equipment and interference with the movement of US mail is intolerable and also represent federal criminal violations. Those who are involved in this alleged cost saving should be arrested. Their performance at recent Congressional hearings showed that they know nothing about postal operations, have no respect for the institution, and they have set out to destroy this centuries old essential government service for personal gain.

The mail and mail carriers are involved in every part of people's lives and businesses. The U.S. mail handles all of our the life cycle materials like wedding announcements, birth announcements, job postings, the thin and fat envelopes of job and school acceptances, and finally death and condolences. Ballots, medications, timely bills and bill payments like rent, are only part of what people receive and send. It is also often the mail carrier who has the human concern to notice when mail is backed up uncollected from a mailbox and who alerts the police to investigate a death. This happened to my elderly cousin who died alone and the mailman was the first to notice that something was wrong. I learned a lot about postal history while researching my book on art deco lobby mailboxes and mail chutes. Mail connected people who migrated far from their families. Mail and mail carriers helped prevent the isolation, depression and suicides of lonely life on the prairies. Not everyone recognizes how seamlessly the USPS operates in our lives.

The last thing the USPS needs is privatization, with the insertion of the profit motive, and changes in service delivery, employee wages, pensions and opportunities for carriers. The mail as we know and have known it will be destroyed. This cannot be allowed to happen. The destruction of functioning mail sorting machines and other postal equipment are federal criminal acts, as postal property is being destroyed, and the mail is being delayed. The perpetrators should be stopped, arrested and punished. And the current plans of the Postmaster General must be stopped.

Sincerely,



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